

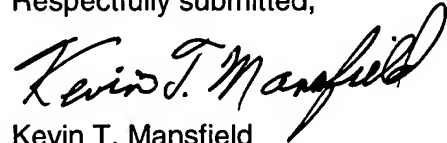
REMARKS

Claims 1-27 are the only claims pending. Original claims 5, 7, 9-12, 16-18 and 23-35 have been amended to reduce filing fees by eliminating multiple dependency and to provide minor clarification.

The newly added claims 26 and 27 are supported by originally filed claims 16 and 25. No new matter has been added.

Applicants aver that the claims are now in better form for examination. An Action on the merits of the claims is respectfully awaited. In the event that minor amendments will further prosecution, applicants request that the examiner contact the undersigned representative.

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